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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of June 20, 2001  
(Paper No. 12), reconsideration of this application is  
respectfully requested.

**REMARKS**

In this application, claims 11-14 and 25-27 are the same  
as claims 1-3, 36, 14, 24 and 25 of Patent 6,136,339 and, in  
the previous amendment, were presented as proposed counts with  
a request for the declaration of an interference. In the  
action under reply, the Examiner observes that in order to  
provide a basis for an interference, such claims must be  
patentable over the cited prior art. In this instance, all  
seven claims stand rejected as being directly anticipated